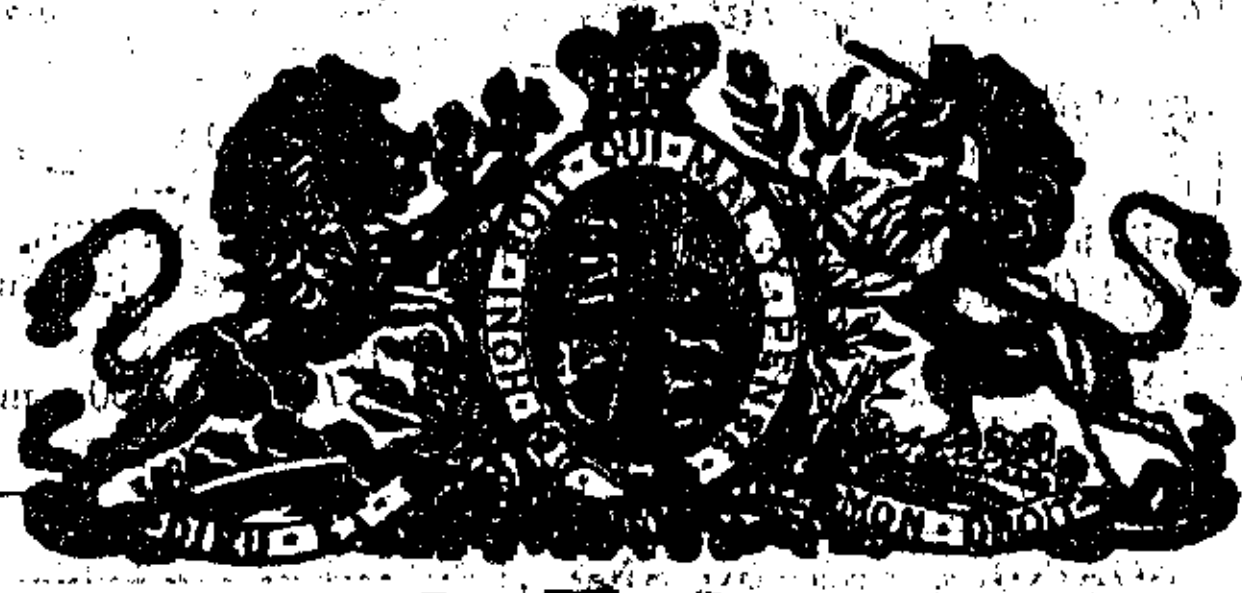


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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

SALE OF THE OPIUM FARM.

NOTICE is hereby given, that TENDERS for the PRIVILEGE OF PREPARING and SELLING PREPARED OPIUM within the Colony for the Term of One, Two, or Three Years from the 1st of March, 1879, under the Provisions of Ordinance No. 2 of 1868, will be received at this Office, until Noon on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd October, 1878.

Each Tender should specify the Monthly Payment offered for the period abovementioned.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any Tender.

Should the highest Tender be less than the sum the Governor thinks a fair price for the Opium Farm, His Excellency in Council will grant Licenses direct under Section 3 of the Ordinance, and take such further steps as may be necessary to realize a fair price.

By Command, C. MAY, Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, October 3, 1878.

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1877.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Underwritten with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December last, in order that the proportion of the Net Profit to be reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st October next will be adjusted by the Company, and no claims or alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Secretary.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Ordinary General MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Office will be held at the Office of the Underwritten, No. 7, Queen's Road, on FRIDAY, the 11th Inst., at Half-past 2 P.M.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents,
CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE,
Hongkong, October 3, 1878.

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LANMAN & KEMP,
New York, July 9, 1878.

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS begs to say that he intends VISITING Amoy and Foochow, leaving Hongkong September 15th, and returning November 1st.

Hongkong, August 21, 1878.

HONGKONG, 27th September, 1878.

To C. F. A. SANGSTER, Esq., Sheriff of the Colony of Hongkong.

SIR,—We, the Undersigned, beg to request that you will call a Public Meeting to be held at the City Hall in the City of Victoria in this Colony, on Monday, the 7th day of October next, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the following purpose:—

1.—To consider and discuss the existing state of Insecurity of Life and property in the Colony.

2.—To pass such resolutions as may be deemed advisable by the Meeting.

We have the honour to be, Sir, Your most obedient servants,

P. RYRIE, and 63 other Signatures.

HONGKONG TO WIT.

IN Compliance with the above requisition, I hereby Summons and Convene a PUBLIC MEETING of the Inhabitants of this Colony, to be held in the Building known as the CITY HALL, on MONDAY, the Seventh day of OCTOBER, 1878, at 3 o'clock in the Afternoon.

C. F. A. SANGSTER, Sheriff.

Hongkong, October 1, 1878.

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JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Following BANKS will be Closed for the Transaction of Business TO-MORROW, the 5th October, at 12 o'clock Noon.

For the "Oriental Bank Corporation," D. A. J. CROMBIE, Actg. Manager.

For the "Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China," H. H. NELSON, Manager.

For the "Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China," WILLIAM FORREST, Manager.

For the "Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris," H. VINAY, Agent.

For the "Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation," T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

For the "National Bank of India, Ltd., Ltd.," R. B. SANDEMAN, Manager.

Hongkong, October 4, 1878.

NOTICE.

FROM the 1st of OCTOBER, DR. EASTLAKE will receive his PATIENTS at his new DENTAL ROOMS, No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, near the MEDICAL HALL.

Hongkong, September 28, 1878.

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FROM the 1st of OCTOBER, DR. EASTLAKE will receive his PATIENTS at his new DENTAL ROOMS, No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, near the MEDICAL HALL.

Hongkong, September 28, 1878.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR NEWOHWANG.
The Steamship "PENEDRO," Captain T. CAIN, will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 5th Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight, apply to MELOCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, October 3, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.
The Steamship "GLAMORGAN," now at AMOY, having Room for about 300 Tons Cargo, will call at this Port, if sufficient inducement offered.

For Freight, apply to MELOCHERS & Co., Agents, S. S. "Glamorgan."

Hongkong, October 3, 1878.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW.
The Steamship "KWANGTUNG," Capt. PUNCHARD, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 6th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, October 3, 1878.

FOR SINGAPORE, PORT DARWIN, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE. (Calling off the usual Coast Ports, and taking through Cargo and Passengers for New Zealand.)

The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer "BOWEN" will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 7th October, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, September 26, 1878.

FOR LONDON.
The "Hall" Line Steamer "SPEKE HALL," 2,700 Tons Register, BRAND, Master, will be despatched hence on MONDAY Next, the 7th Instant.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for First-class Passengers, and Passage Tickets can be granted to Suez, thence overland to England or the Continent via Naples or Genoa.

For further particulars, apply to BIRLEY & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, October 2, 1878.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.
The Steamship "MORAY," Captain BUTCHER, will leave for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 15th Instant, at 3 o'clock in the Afternoon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, October 3, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.
The Steamship "OCEAN KING," Captain ROYCE, will be despatched as above on or about the 18th Instant.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, October 3, 1878.

MONTHLY SERVICE.

FOR PORT DARWIN, COOKTOWN, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE, Taking Cargo and Passengers for all Australian and New Zealand Ports, TASMANIA, NEW CALEDONIA & FIJI.

The Australasian Steam Navigation Co.'s Steamship "OCEAN," Captain EDMUNDSON, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 8th October, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GEO. R. STEVENS & Co., Agents, A. S. N. Co.

Hongkong, September 25, 1878.

FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO.

The Steamship "LOUPOUN CASTLE" expected here on or about the 7th Instant, will have immediate despatch for the above Ports.

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liabilities which may arise in the future. It is expressly provided that foreign as well as native business shall be undertaken by the Office, and it is also stated that the "Post-offices will be, by degrees, extended to the river ports, to the coast ports of the South, and to the inland cities and towns." There is nothing at all unreasonable in the scheme generally; some such arrangement is in fact bound to come sooner or later, and we trust that the inauguration of a general Chinese postal system is as near at hand as this prospectus may lead one to hope it may be.

THE POLICE COMMITTEE.
We have been requested to publish the

following Documents :—
GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
POLICE DUTIES AND INCREASE OF CRIME.
The following Documents are published
for general information.
By Command,
C. MAY,
Acting Col. Secretary.
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 30th Sept., 1878.

His Excellency The Governor to the Honourable C. May, Acting Colonial Secretary, the Honourable Phineas Ryrie, and the Honourable Thomas Child Hayllar, G.C. Government House, Hongkong, 30th Sept., 1878.

GENTLEMEN,—Having recently obtained from Mr Deane, the Captain Superintendent of Police, a Report and some Returns relating to the Night Duties of the Police,

to

I should be glad if you would do me the favour to associate yourselves as a Committee to consider those papers and some others on the same subject, which I enclose, and to make such enquiries as you deem necessary with a view of suggesting a more efficient disposition of the Police Force.

2. In Mr Deane's Report he observes that the Beat book has been virtually unaltered

since 1874, and that he has rarely enough of men to fill all the beats, in which case he has to give one man charge of two beats. The continuance of such a system since 1874 cannot be fair to Mr Deans and the Police Force, nor can it provide in the most efficient manner for the due security of life and property.

3. Amongst the papers enclosed I have

therefore induced the Annual Reports of the Captain Superintendent of Police (since 1874, together with a letter written by Mr Deane in November last on the apparent increase of crime in Hongkong of late years). I should be glad if you would favour me with your opinions on the matters embraced in those Reports and in that Letter.

4. I have requested Mr Deane and Mr Creagh to attend any sittings of the Committee at which you may require their presence.

Any other public record or document, in addition to the enclosed, that you may desire to consult shall be placed at your disposal.

I have the honour to be,
Gentlemen,
Very obediently,
Your obedient servant,
J. H. M.

Your Obedient Servant,
J. POPE HENNESSY,
Governor.

Schedule

SCHEDULE AND PRECIS OF DOCUMENTS LAIN
 BEFORE THE COMMITTEE.

1. Minute of His Excellency the Governor
 on the Police Report of the Burglary in the
 Caine Road on the night of the 29th of
 August, 1878, calling for a Report on the
 night duties of the Police, with the bea

Report of the Captain Superintendent of Police, dated 3rd September, 1878, transmitting the information called for, with further minutes and returns on the same subject, and letters from the Captain Superintendent suggesting certain changes.

2. Letters from Bank Managers, dated

27th September, 1878, as to increased night patrols, with correspondence and minutes thereon.

3. Police Report and Returns of Crime for the year 1874, (as published in the *Government Gazette*, February, 1876).

4. Police Report and Returns of Crime for 1875, showing "an increase of 19.74 per cent of serious crime" as compared with 1874. *Government Gazette*, February, 1876.

5. Police Report and Returns of Crime for 1876, showing "an increase of 6.45 per cent of Serious Crime, and an increase

23.86 per cent of Minor Offences," as compared with 1875.

6. Police Report and Returns of Crime for 1877, showing an "increase of 32.39 per cent of Serious Crime, and an increase of 7.13 per cent of Minor Offences," as compared with 1876.

7. Despatch from Governor Sir Arthur Kennedy to the Earl of Carnarvon, dated 1878.

28. Returns and information on this subject transmitted to the Earl of Carnarvon

9. Letters from His Excellency the Governor to Commodore Watson and H. L.

10. Statement made by His Excellency the Governor to the Legislative Council

11: Letter from Mt Deane, the Captain Superintendent of Police, dated Bath, 26 November, 1877, submitting certain explanations concerning the apparent increase of crime in Hongkong.

12. Statement made by His Excellency the Governor to the Legislative Council on the 12th of November, 1877, on the advantage of having Steam-launches for Police purposes, with Minutes on this subject, and Reports from Mr. Creagh and Mr. Deane;

the number of armed Police; placing the District Watchmen under the Captain Superintendent of Police, and further organizing the native Watchmen for Police purposes.

14. All the daily Police Reports and other Returns respecting the Police in 1891 (up to date).

CHINESE EMIGRATION.

and the Commander-in-Chief of His Majesty's armies. It is needless to say that the articles subsequently supplied by the company were of the worst description. This affair, with several others of a minor and similar nature, is said to have been discovered by the Controller-General Greigh, who, in a discreet manner, hinted at the big bribe to the Emperor in his capacity of Controller-General. He is to furnish proofs, which he declined to do, except on the written command of His Majesty. The Czar gave the order under his sign-manual. A few days after the Grand Duke Nicholas received a peremptory command to retire to his estate, and he is now in a sort of arrest in the Government of Perm. The Grand Duke has renounced for the present, whether voluntarily or by compulsion, the idea of a foreign trip, but he had intended to take Greigh as nominated Financial Minister at St. Petersburg. And never had a man in his position a more difficult task to fulfil. He will probably feel this when he begins to negotiate a great loan in a month or two.

PUNKABS IN BARRACKS.

With the view of obtaining practical opinion on this subject, committees were formed at each station in the Bengal Presidency,—generally consisting of officers of the troops,—for whose benefit the question was raised, and an officer of the Royal Engineers. In many cases the committee reported the existing system of working punkabs to be quite satisfactory.

The first fault found by the committees lay in the connection of the punkahs by ropes; "which," to quote one report, "are liable to slacken, and cause loss of power in the forward swing; and for want of rigid connection the impetus which would be conveyed by the height of the forward to the backward punkahs of each train is quite lost in the backward swing." To remedy this it was proposed to substitute bars of wood for the ropes, and this has been carried out in many barracks; yet this was not sooner carried out in accordance with the recommendations of the Committee at the Dalhousie Barracks in Fort William than, although the punkahs rigidly connected together with steady swing, men did not appear to like so much as the old, jerking, peevish, and throbbing motion.

think," the report says, "that the sudden jerk the punkah gets when connected with rope, disturbs the air better than the steady swing of those connected with bars, and the Superintendent Engineer remarks that rigid connection while economising labour is open to the objection of want of jerk." On the other hand, the Morar Committee objected to the jorking action, asking for a steady swing. During the present season experiments are to be made with a moveable frame from which punkahs will be suspended, which is expected to give a considerable circulation of air with economy of labour. The present number of punkah pullers in the Bengal Presidency alone is about 18,000 men (according to an abstract sent in by the Quartermaster-General), and the estimated cost for punkah pulling in the budget is Rs. 3,50,000 for the season.

AN AUTOMATIC WINDMILL PUMP.
The *Bombay Gazette* gives the following description of an Automatic Windmill Pump, which may be deserving the attention of the authorities here with a view to its introduction into Perak and other Native States for irrigation with tin mining :—
“ We gave in January last an interesting description of the Hartford automatic wind-

mill pump, and we now learn that one of these pumps has been most successfully employed by Mr. A. Stormant, the Superintendent of the Government Farm at Bhadgaon. In his report for last year this gentleman says that the pump was worked 'with considerable success.' The windmill is erected on the bank of a *nallah* in which the automatic pump is submerged at a distance of about 60 feet. The water is

discharged over a high bank in another direction. The whole thing was put up by the farm apprentices and works smoothly and evenly. * * With the windmills going 2 1/2 revolutions per minute we got a flow of 400 gallons per hour. Another of these pumps has been working at Tirumalcherry in the Madras Presidency, and the Executive Engineer in charge of it reported that 'working with a strong breeze, delivers almost exactly one cubic foot per minute raised 4 1/2 feet high. This in nominal horse power of 38.000 foot pounds per minute equals about 1-12th horse power.' The pump seems to be a valuable contrivance, readily adaptable in agricultural districts in the tropics, and one of the best means of raising water by the aid of bullocks, and we should fancy that the purchase of one of these pumps would quickly give the buyer a profitable return.

THE RUSSIANS IN TURKEY.
The Russians seem to be packing up if not yet totally travelling out of Turkey. It is strange, however, that they so long hang about Constantinople. If the Turkish Generals and diplomatists, and the English politicians are quarrelling a little amongst themselves, the domestic bulls of the Russians, carefully hushed up as they are, are supposed to have a very serious opinion. Amongst statesmen and generals they resort to all that calumny can invent to

blacken each other's character. But some of the crew freely ingenued, and on the falling out of the rogues, though honest men do get back their own, gossip at least has its gratification. One of the stories photo at this place, and it is confirmed from so many quarters that it can scarcely be suppos'd. A company formed for supplying the Russian Army in the field with forage and other articles found it could do no very profitable business without the usual Muscovite pot de vin. Therefore, on a hint from an officer of the Staff, the aforesaid company collected the large sum of about \$250,000 in gold and approved banknotes, and respectfully placed it in the hands of His Imperial Highness the Grand Duke Nicholas, the brother of the Czar

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Hongkong, September 23, 1878. oc10

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PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND THROUGH AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer "CITY OF TOKIO" will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on TUESDAY, the 15th October, at Noon, taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Indian Oceans of the United States via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

On Through Passages to EUROPE, a REDUCTION OF TWENTY PER CENT from Regular Rates is granted to OFFICERS of the ARMY AND NAVY, AND MEMBERS of the CIVIL AND CONSULAR SERVICES IN COMMISSION.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m., of 14th October. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 3, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, September 20, 1878. oc15

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR

SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,

POINT DE GALLE,

ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, NAPLES, AND MARSAILLES;

ALSO,

PONDICHERY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA AND BOMBAY.

ON THURSDAY, the 17th October, 1878, at Noon, the Company's S. S. "TIGER," Commandant LORIMER, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 16th October, 1878. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

H. DU POUY, Agent.

Hongkong, October 1, 1878. oc17

Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE,

IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL

AND

ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "OCEANIC" will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on FRIDAY, the 1st November, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection to be made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 31st October. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PASSAGE TICKETS.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 3, Praya Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, October 2, 1878. oc18

To Let.

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 3, Queen's Road Central, with Godown attached.
House No. 7, Caine Road, occupied by The Hon. CHOI SMITH.
House No. 4, Seymour Terrace.
House No. 7, Zeland Street, at present occupied by Mr. HEUSERMAN.
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, October 2, 1878.

TO LET.

THREE OFFICES, in Club Chambers, The BUNGALOW, No. 2, Shelley Street.

Apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, September 10, 1878.

TO LET.

IN the Houses on MARINE LOT 65, formerly known as the Blue Houses, situate on Praya East:—

FIRST FLOOR and BASEMENT of No. 2, Praya East, either separately, or together, as required, with immediate possession.

HOUSE No. 8, Praya East. The whole House or in Flats, with immediate possession.

As also,
SIX SPACIOUS ROOMS, with Corridors and Out-houses in the DWELLING HOUSE, to the Eastward of the Pier at Wanchai. These may be had in Apartments of Two or Three Rooms to suit convenience. Fine spacious Verandah looking on the Harbour. Immediate Possession.

For further particulars, apply to
MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, August 15, 1878.

TO LET.

FIRST CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS, attached to Blue Houses at Wanchai, MARINE LOT 65.

For further particulars, apply to
MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, August 15, 1878.

TO BE LET.

TWO Excellent STONE-FLOORED GODOWNS, on Marine Lot No. 10, Praya Central.

Apply to
TURNER & Co.
Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

Intimations.

Volume Seventh of the "CHINA REVIEW."

Now Ready.

No. 1.—Vol. VII.

OF THE—

"CHINA REVIEW"

CONTAINS—

The Chinese in Borneo.
Jottings from the Book of Rites.
The Character 番 or 番.
On the Use of the Character Fan.
Brief Sketches from the Life of K'ung-ming.

The Critical Disquisitions of Wang Ch'ang.
Geographical Notes on the Province of Kiangsi.

The Ballads of the Shi-king.
Translations of Chinese School-books.
Porkin Warbeck in China.
Short Notices of New Books and Literary Intelligence.

Notes and Queries:—
Dutch Doctors in Borneo.
The Giraffe and the Ki-lin.
On the Syllable Spelling.
Loos Operandi in Flogging.
Early Frost in Canton, in 1877-8.
A Chinese Coin.
Annamese Sovereigns.
Chinese Bank-notes.

Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.
China Mail Office,
Hongkong, Sept. 10, 1878.

SAILOR'S HOME.

ANY Cast-off CLOTHING, BOOKS, or PAPERS will be thankfully received at the Sailor's Home, West Point.

Hongkong, July 25, 1878.

INSURANCES.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

MELOHERS & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.
Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above-named Company, are prepared to Grant Policies against FIRE on Buildings and on Goods to the extent of £50,000, at the usual Rates, subject to an immediate Discount of 20 per cent.

Attention is invited to a considerable reduction in Premium for Life Insurance in China.

MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, August 18, 1878.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to Grant Policies against FIRE to the extent of £45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 4, 1879.

Insurances.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, Agents at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

HENRY B. HYDE, President.
J. W. ALLEN, Vice-President.
SAMUEL BORSOFF, Secretary.
A. A. HAYES, Jr., General Manager, for China and Japan.

PRINCIPAL OFFICE,
120, BROADWAY, NEW YORK.

Assets \$31,700,000
Surplus \$ 5,500,000

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong, China, for the above Company, are prepared to accept Risks at greatly reduced rates and upon terms very favourable to the assured.

For full information and particulars apply to
OLYPHANT & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 21, 1878.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits are distributed annually to Contributors, whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premium contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER

His Majesty King George The First,
A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.
Policies at current rates payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.
Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.
Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, October 14, 1873.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusives of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A., near the Kowloon shore K., and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked C., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section:
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.
5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
8. From Pier to East Point.

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